

HOUSE BILL No. 1943

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 20-1-1.1-11.

Synopsis: Statistical standards for program evaluation. Allows the department of education to use target ISTEP scores or improvement rates as criteria in evaluating the performance of school corporations and schools for programs that provide funding. Provides that a school corporation or school may not be denied funding based on the failure of the school corporation or school to meet a target unless the department can demonstrate that the margin by which the school corporation or school failed to meet the target falls outside the margin of normal random statistical variation from the target.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 23, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.

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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 20-1-1.1-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
2 AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
3 1, 2003]: **Sec. 11. (a) This section applies whenever the department**
4 **may establish criteria to evaluate the performance of a school**
5 **corporation or school for a program that provides funding,**
6 **including grants, under this title.**

7 **(b) The department may include target ISTEP scores or**
8 **improvement rates as criteria for evaluating the performance of a**
9 **school corporation or school.**

10 **(c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), the department may not**
11 **deny a school corporation or school based on the failure of the**
12 **school corporation or school to meet a target ISTEP score or**
13 **improvement rate unless the department can demonstrate, using**
14 **acceptable statistical analysis methods, that the margin by which**
15 **the school corporation or school failed to meet the target falls**
16 **outside the margin of normal random statistical variation from the**
17 **target.**



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